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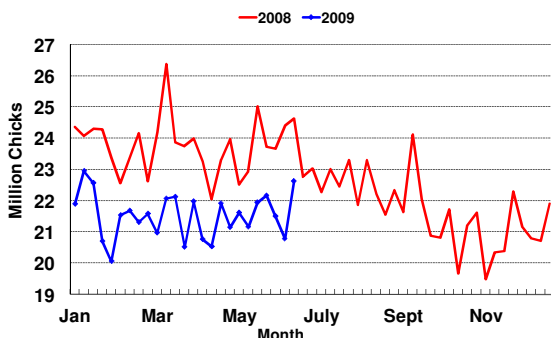
Arkansas Chick Placements Down 8 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 22.6 million during the week ending June 20, 2009. Placements were down 8 percent from the comparable week in 2008 but up 9 percent from the previous week.

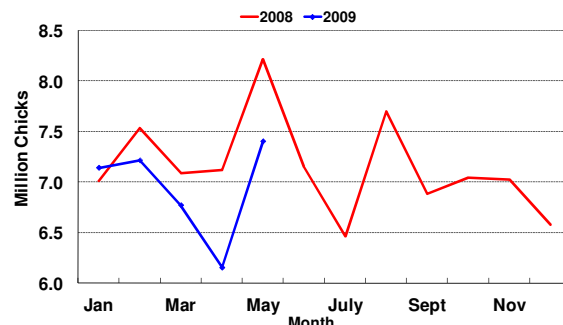
Arkansas hatcheries set 23.4 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending June 20, 2009, down 11 percent from the same period last year and down 1 percent from the previous week.

Leading breeders in the **United States** placed 7.40 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during May 2009, down 10 percent from May 2008.

Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2008-2009



U. S. Broiler-Type Pullet Chicks Placed For Domestic Hatchery Supply Flocks, 2008-2009



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, May 23, 2009 - June 20, 2009

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	23-May	30-May	6-Jun	13-Jun	20-Jun	23-May	30-May	6-Jun	13-Jun	20-Jun
	<i>Thousand</i>					<i>Thousand</i>				
Alabama	29,937	29,805 *	29,809 *	29,912	29,215	20,750	20,188	21,280	21,273	20,780
Arkansas	24,090	23,971	23,990	23,699	23,384	21,957	22,177	21,514	20,788	22,642
Delaware	3,624	3,587	3,579	3,463	3,470	5,016	4,990	5,142	5,324	4,381
Florida	992	1,081	1,083	1,066	1,081	826	715	707	701	774
Georgia	31,725	31,945 *	32,383	32,120	31,939	26,603	26,786	27,033 *	26,871 *	27,645
Kentucky	8,235	8,172 *	7,959	7,906	7,816	6,832	6,897	6,206	6,030	6,495
Louisiana	2,245	2,260	2,260	2,260	2,260	1,917	1,933	1,922	1,942	1,937
Maryland	8,870	8,599	8,849	8,774	8,792	5,629	6,330	6,251	5,682	6,678
Mississippi	18,372	18,593	18,854	18,378	18,347	15,625	16,324	16,600	16,428	16,589
N. Carolina	18,212	18,471 *	18,160	17,776	18,481	15,475	15,851	15,527	15,216	15,420
Oklahoma	6,913	6,735 *	6,913	6,899	6,707	3,784	4,288	4,887	5,519	4,113
Pennsylvania	3,877	3,584	3,623 *	3,622 *	3,511	3,009	3,141	2,968 *	3,071 *	2,755
S. Carolina	5,594	5,831	5,589	5,822	5,256	5,085	4,858	4,522	4,752	4,561
Texas	15,490	15,821 *	15,754	15,955	16,051	12,637	13,413	13,369	13,531	13,723
Virginia	6,272	6,285	6,328	6,257	6,222	5,365	4,556	4,883	4,920	4,812
CA,MO,TN & WV	19,798	19,860	19,942	19,583	19,964	16,771	16,955	17,537	18,531	17,331
19 State Total	204,246	204,600 *	205,075 *	203,492 *	202,496	167,281	169,402	170,348 *	170,579 *	170,636
Prev. Year Total	217,208	216,910	217,504	212,986	213,178	177,324	177,037	179,821	179,598	179,576
% of Prev. Year	94	94	94	96	95	94	96	95	95	95

* Revised in current week.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 5 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 202 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 20, 2009. This was down 5 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 85 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Down 5 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 171 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 20, 2009. Placements were down 5 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through June 20, 2009 were 4.20 billion, down 6 percent from the same period a year earlier.